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TO AMEMBASSY NAIROBI

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E.O. 11652: N/A

TAGS: BEXP, KE

SUBJECT: MAJOR PROJECT: POLYESTER FIBER PLANT

1. CHEMTEX FIBERS EXPORT, INC., N.Y.C., WELL-KNOWN U.S. DESIGN/CONSTRUCTOR OF POLYESTER FIBER PRODUCTION FACILITIES, HAS REQUESTED EMBASSY ASSISTANCE ON POLYESTER PROJECT IN KENYA. CHEMTEX HAS RECEIVED CORRESPONDENCE FROM THEIR INDIAN PARTNER AND CLIENT, CHEMTEX ENGINEERING OF BOMBAY (WHICH AT ONE TIME WAS WHOLLY-OWNED SUBSIDIARY OF CHEMTEX U.S.). CHEMTEX BOMBAY IS INTERESTED IN BIDDING ON DESIGN/CONSTRUCTION OF NEW POLYESTER FACILITY FOR EMCO OF NAIROBI, (UNCLEAR WHETHER THIS IS PRIVATE OR GOVERNMENT ENTITY). CHEMTEX BOMBAY HAS ASKED CHEMTEX U.S. TO CONFIRM TO EMCO THROUGH USG THAT THE U.S. COMPANY WILL PARTICIPATE IN WORK.

2. WHILE CHEMTEX BOMBAY PLANNING TO CARRY OUT DETAILED ENGINEERING AND CONSTRUCTION OF PLANT, CHEMTEX U.S.  
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HAS AGREED TO SUPPLY BASIC ENGINEERING AND KNOW-HOW.

CHEMTEX U.S. HAS HAD PRELIMINARY DISCUSSIONS WITH  
EXIMBANK RE POSSIBLE FINANCING OF U.S. PORTION.  
EXIMBANK HAS INDICATED IT IS WILLING TO REVIEW  
PROJECT WHEN SPECIFIC DETAILS ARE PRESENTED.

3. FYI - EXACT EXTENT OF U.S. PARTICIPATION IS  
AS YET UNDETERMINED. EQUIPMENT PROCUREMENT PROBABLY  
TO BE INDIAN.

4. REQUEST EMBASSY CONTACT NITIN MADHWANI OF EMCO  
TO CONFIRM CHEMTEX U.S. INTEREST AND TO ADVISE  
OF INFO PARA 2 ABOVE. KISSINGER

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